

## § 301-70.704

### **§ 301-70.704 What expenses and/or classes of employees are exempt from the mandatory use of the Government contractor-issued travel charge card?**

The Administrator of General Services exempts the following from the mandatory use of the Government contractor-issued travel charge card:

- (a) Expenses incurred at a vendor that does not accept the Government contractor-issued travel charge card;
- (b) Laundry/dry cleaning;
- (c) Parking;
- (d) Transit system at a TDY location;
- (e) Taxi;
- (f) Tips;
- (g) Meals (only when use of the card is impractical, *i.e.*, group meals or the Government contractor-issued travel charge card is not accepted);
- (h) Phone calls (when a Government calling card is available for use in accordance with agency policy);
- (i) An employee who has an application pending for the travel charge card;
- (j) Individuals traveling on invitational travel; and
- (k) New appointees.

NOTE TO § 301-70.704: Relocation allowances prescribed in chapter 302 of this title, except en route travel and househunting trip expenses are not covered by this requirement.

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### **§ 301-70.705 What methods of payment for official travel expenses may we authorize when an exemption from use of the Government contractor-issued travel charge card is granted?**

When you grant an exemption from use of the Government contractor-issued travel charge card, you may authorize one or a combination of the following methods of payment:

- (a) Personal funds, including cash or personal charge card;
- (b) Travel advances; or
- (c) Government Transportation Request (GTR).

NOTE TO § 301-70.705: City pair contractors are not required to accept payment by the methods in paragraph (a) or (b) of this section.

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### **§ 301-70.706 For what purposes may an employee use the Government contractor-issued travel charge card while on official travel?**

An employee is required to use the Government contractor-issued travel charge card for expenses directly related to official travel.

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### **§ 301-70.707 May an employee use the Government contractor-issued travel charge card for personal use while on official travel?**

No, an employee may not use the Government contractor-issued travel charge card for personal use while on official travel.

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### **§ 301-70.708 What actions may we take if an employee misuses the Government contractor-issued travel charge card while on official travel?**

You may take appropriate disciplinary action if an employee misuses the Government contractor-issued travel charge card. Internal agency policies and procedures should define what the agency considers to be misuses of the travel charge card.

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### **§ 301-70.709 What can we do to reduce travel charge card delinquencies?**

To reduce travel charge card delinquencies by your employees, you should consider implementing one or more of the following suggestions (this list is not comprehensive; you may adopt other appropriate procedures):

(a) Agency travel program coordinators must be trained and aware of their responsibilities and the delinquency management tools available under your agreement with the travel charge card contractor (internet training is available for the GSA SmartPay<sup>TM</sup> Travel Charge Card at: <http://www.gsa.gov/traveltraining>).

(b) Ensure that managers and supervisors are provided monthly delinquency and questionable charges report.

(c) Periodically, but at least once a year, verify that cardholders are still current employees.